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24 September 1959

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1. [REDACTED] was in to say good-bye prior to his departure for [REDACTED]. He does not know when [REDACTED] plans to return to headquarters, and I told him that if the Division wanted me to I would be glad to write a letter to the Chief of Station saying that we do not desire more than a thirty-day overlap and that we would prefer something less.

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2. [REDACTED] telephoned and requested permission to explore with [REDACTED] of the possibility of interchange of stewards for some of our overseas [REDACTED] I told him to go ahead on a purely exploratory basis with Bob only and to emphasize to him that this must not be discussed with anyone else.

3. I looked at the Director's dining room which, due to an accident, needs to be repainted. The estimated cost is \$650. I have instructed the Office of Logistics to have the necessary painting done and to try to get Public Buildings Service to do it on a non-reimbursable basis. If not, however, they should try to get the price reduced. In any case, since this is over and above routine maintenance, the Director's office should pay for this work.

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a. They reported that things were going well with [REDACTED] Inc., and a contract was being drawn up which would provide for [REDACTED] taking over the [REDACTED] and janitorial services effective 1 December 1959. This will cost us about \$28,000 more than our present arrangement; however, Rex [REDACTED] firmly believe that the improved efficiency which [REDACTED] will bring to the [REDACTED] will more than offset this additional cost.

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b. [REDACTED] proposed that we construct a warehouse at the Center and split it into two parts---one part at [REDACTED] and the other at [REDACTED]. His thinking was that this would assist in providing office space at the proper locations for the 1,500-man emergency force now planned. I told him that I would defer making my final decision on this but that I did not think it was realistic to assume that we could plan with this degree of accuracy. Inasmuch as it would probably cost an additional \$50,000 to \$100,000 to build two warehouses in lieu of one I was not very sympathetic to his proposal. We agreed to defer this until I could look at the site on the ground in mid-October.

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c. [REDACTED] also requested approval to plan on continuing the Communications School [REDACTED] in its present location. In case of an emergency, again, I told him that I thought this was most unrealistic, that space would be at a premium in an emergency and that under no circumstances did I feel we could justify using it for a school which could easily be conducted [REDACTED] elsewhere. [REDACTED] reluctantly concurred in this point of view.

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5. Mr. Sweeney, an Investigator from the Office of Naval Intelligence, was over to talk to me about a routine security investigation that they are conducting [REDACTED]

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6. [REDACTED] was in to see me and we discussed a number of things, as follows:

a. I approved in principle of the establishment of a downtown office for the Commercial Staff; however, he should coordinate this with all of the other interested offices and then submit his proposal in writing for formal approval.

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b. I told him that [REDACTED] had not been selected to go to Harvard and explained that if we had any intention of sending him out under deep cover it might be inadvisable for him to go there.

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c. I approved of the promotion of [REDACTED] to grade GS-15. I also told him that I thought it would eventually be necessary to place Ted on a contract basis in order to keep him. It isn't reasonable to assume that he is going to be satisfied at that grade level.

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d. I also approved in principle of the establishment of a Commercial Staff office in Europe. Again, this is to be coordinated with all of the other interested components and then submitted in writing for formal approval.

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In this connection, Bob saw a Mr. [REDACTED] with the Director and is interested in [REDACTED] as a possible employee in an European office. From what Bob told me I am not too sympathetic with this idea; however, the Director may have some special interest in [REDACTED].

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7. [REDACTED] was in to see me again about his future. He said that Bob Amory would talk with me but, ^{that} at the moment, ^{he} is inclined to accept a position with the Management Staff where he can be used in an Agency-wide capacity.

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